

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An assay device washing module for washing an assay device located within an assay device storage well, the module ~~comprising~~ comprising:

a wash fluid delivery probe and an aspirator probe mounted to a movable support, wherein

the aspirator probe being mounted at an angle to a vertical axis and the movable support being movable at substantially the same angle, wherein ~~whereby~~ when the aspirator probe is inserted into a storage well it is brought close to ~~the~~ a side of the storage well; and

a probe wash reservoir located beneath a carriage tray and a wash location of the storage well, the movable support being movable, in the absence of a storage well, to bring the aspirator probe into the probe wash reservoir.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Previously Presented) A module according to claim 1, further comprising a probe wash fluid delivery system coupled with the probe wash reservoir selectively to supply probe wash fluid to the probe wash reservoir.

4. (Original) A module according to claim 1, further comprising a vacuum supply system coupled to the aspirator probe, the vacuum supply system including a vacuum vessel having a first port connected to a vacuum source, a second port connected to the aspirator probe and a third port connected to a drain via a drain pump.

5. (Currently Amended) A module according to claim 1, further comprising a storage well support and means for shaking the well support.